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SYSTEM, METHOD AND COMPUTER PROGRAM PRODUCT FOR AUTHENTICATING USERS USING A LIGHTWEIGHT DIRECTORY

ACCESS PROTOCOL (LDAP) DIRECTORY SERVER

PETITION FOR A FIVE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

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In accordance with the provision of 37 CFR § 1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a five-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the Notice of Appeal mailed July 16, 2004 and received by the USPTO July 19, 2004, said period of response being extended from September 19, 2004 to February 19, 2005 (Sat.). February 21, 2005 was a Federal holiday, therefore the next succeeding business day for filing this response is February 22, 2005.

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